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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

The present response is being filed under a Certificate of Mail as indicated.

In response to the Official Action dated May 16, 2006, The Applicants respectfully elect the following without traverse:

Serial No. 10/606,304 Amendment dated May 25, 2006 Reply to Office action of May 16, 2006

The Applicants respectfully elect Species I: Claims 1-8 drawn to a reamer, classified in class 606, subclass 80.

Claims 1-8 are all believed to be readable on Species I.

The Applicants further respectfully elect the species of FIGS. 1-42

The Applicants respectfully reserve the right to pursue the non-elected Species in divisional applications.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 10-0750/DEP5083/JSW in the name of Johnson & Johnson for any costs associated with the filing of this document.

The applicants' attorney wishes to welcome the Examiner to contact him by telephone at any time Monday thru Friday from 7:30 AM to 4:30 PM Eastern Standard Time at 574-372-7332.

Respectfully submitted,

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